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A filing date has been accorded to the above-identified nonprovisional application papers; however, the following item(s) appear to have been omitted from the application:

- Page(s) 21 of the specification (description and claims).
- I. Should applicant contend that the above-noted omitted item(s) was in fact deposited in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) with the nonprovisional application papers, a copy of this Notice and a petition (and \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h))) with evidence of such deposit **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice. The petition fee will be refunded if is determined that the item(s) was received by the USPTO.
- II. Should applicant desire to supply the omitted item(s) and accept the date that such omitted item(s) was filed in the USPTO as the filing date of the above-identified application, a copy of this Notice, the omitted item(s) (with a supplemental oath or declaration in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 and 1.64 referring to such items), and a petition under 37 CFR 1.182 (with the \$130.00 petition fee (37 CFR 1.17(h)) requesting the later filing date **must** be filed within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice.

Applicant is advised that generally the filing fee required for an application is the filing fee in effect on the filing date accorded the application and that payment of the requisite basic filing fee on a date later than the filing date of the application requires payment of a surcharge (37 CFR 1.16(e)). To avoid processing delays and payment of a surcharge, applicant should submit any balance due for the requisite filing fee based on the later filing date being requested when submitting the omitted items(s) and the petition (and petition fee) requesting the later filing date.

III. The failure to file a petition (and petition fee) under the above options (I) or (II) within **TWO MONTHS** of the date of this Notice (37 CFR 1.181(f)) will be treated as a constructive acceptance by the applicant of the application as deposited in the USPTO. **THIS <u>TWO MONTH</u> PERIOD IS NOT EXTENDABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) or (b)**. In the absence of a timely filed petition in reply to this Notice, the application will maintain a filing date as of the date of deposit of the application papers in the USPTO, and original application papers (*i.e.*, the original disclosure of the invention) will include only those application papers present in the USPTO on the date of deposit.

In the event that applicant elects not to take action pursuant to options (I) or (II) above (thereby constructively electing option (III)), amendment of the specification to renumber the pages consecutively and cancel incomplete sentences caused by any omitted page(s), and/or amendment of the specification to cancel all references to any omitted drawing(s), relabel the drawing figures to be numbered consecutively (if necessary), and correct the references in the specification to the drawing figures to correspond with any relabeled drawing figures, is required.

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Applicants: Tien-J Bao, et al. Docket No.: TS02-262CIP § (24061.480)Serial No.: 10/808,801 **TBD** Examiner: Filing Date: March 25, 2004 Art Unit: 2834 Entitled: Method for Forming Openings in Low-K Dielectric Layers Conf. No.: 6033

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF OMITTED ITEM(S) IN A NONPROVISIONAL APPLICATION Filing Under 37 CFR 1.53(b)

Dear Sirs:

In response to the Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application mailed November 24, 2004, enclosed are the following:

- 1. Return Copy of Notice of Omitted Item(s) in a Nonprovisional Application;
- 2. Petition:
- 3. Check in the amount of \$130.00; and
- 4. return receipt postcard.

Applicant respectfully requests that the application maintain the filing date of March 25, 2004, which is the original date of deposit of the application papers.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency fees or credit any overpayments associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 08-1394 of Haynes and Boone, LLP. **This form submitted in duplicate.**

Respectfully submitted,

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